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'JACPOLPA'

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(57) **ABSTRACT**

A floribunda rose plant having compact, upright growth;
dark green, glossy, disease resistant foliage; and medium
size pink flowers having a citrus fragrance presented in large
clusters.

1 Drawing Sheet

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The present invention relates to a new and distinct variety
of rose plant of the floribunda class which was originated by
me by crossing the variety JACship (U.S. Plant Pat. No.
7,948), with the variety JACpat (not patented).

The primary objective of this breeding was to produce a
new rose variety having the vigorous, upright growth and
dark green, glossy, disease resistant foliage of the female
parent, combined with the compact growth, larger flowers,
and large clusters of the male parent. The objective was
substantially achieved, along with other desirable improve-
ments, as evidenced by the following unique combination of
characteristics that are outstanding in the new variety and
that distinguish it from its parents, as well as from all other
varieties of which I am aware:

1. Dark green, glossy foliage;
2. Good disease resistance;
3. Compact, upright growth;
4. Medium sized flowers presented in large clusters; and
5. Fragrance.

Asexual reproduction of this new variety by budding, as
performed at Wasco, Calif., shows that the foregoing and all
other characteristics and distinctions come true to form and
are established and transmitted through succeeding propa-
gations.

The accompanying illustration shows typical specimens
of the vegetative growth and flowers of this new variety in
different stages of development, depicted in color as nearly
true as it is reasonably possible to make the same in a color
illustration of this character.

The following is a detailed description of my new rose
cutivar with color descriptions using terminology in accor-
dance with The Royal Horticultural Society (London) colour
chart, except where ordinary dictionary significance of color
is indicated.

Parentage:

Seed parent.—JACship (U.S. Plant Pat. No. 7,948).

Pollen parent.—JACpat (not patented).

Classification:

Botanical.—*Rosa hybrida*.

Commercial.—Floribunda.

FLOWER

Observations made from specimens grown in a garden
environment at Somis, Calif. from March 1998 to August
1999.

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Blooming habit: Continuous.

Bud:

Size.—About 1¼ inches long when the petals start to
unfurl.

Form.—The bud form is long; pointed ovoid.

Color.—When sepals first divide, bud color is Red
Group 44C. When half blown, the outer ⅓ of the
upper side of each petal is Red Group 48C, the inner
⅔ being Red Group 48D.

Sepals.—Color: Green Group 138B except when
exposed to bright sun. Then they are blushed with
Greyed-Purple Group 183D. Surface texture: Cover-
ed in fine hairs. There are three lightly appendaged
sepals. There are two unappendaged sepals with
hairy edges.

Receptacle.—Color: Green Group 137A. Shape: Fun-
nel. Size: Medium (about ⅜ inch×¼ inch). Surface:
Smooth.

Peduncle.—Length: Short (about 1½ to two inches).
Surface: Glandular. Color: Green Group 137A, but
when exposed to bright sun Greyed Purple Group
183A. Strength: Stiff; erect.

Bloom:

Size.—Medium. Average open size is 3½ inches.

Borne.—Several together; in rounded clusters of three
to seven blooms.

Stems.—Strength: Strong. Average length is about 12 to
16 inches.

Form.—When first open: High centered. Permanence:
All petals curl.

Petalage.—Number of petals under normal conditions:
25.

Color.—The outer ⅓ of the upper side of each petal is
Red Group 48C, the inner ⅔ being Red Group 48D.
The reverse sides of the petals are Red Group 48D.
The base of each petal has on the upper surface a ⅜
inch×¼ inch Yellow Group 12B color spot, while the
lower surface has a ⅛ inch×¾ inch Yellow Group
3B color spot. The major color on the upper sides is
Red Group 48D.

Variations.—None.

Discoloration.—The general tonality at the end of the
first day: No change. At the end of the third day: No
change.

Fragrance.—Strong; citrus (lemon).

Petals:

Texture.—Thick.

Shape.—Round.

Form.—Tips slightly recurved.

Arrangement.—Imbricated; no petaloids in the center.

Persistence.—Petals drop off cleanly before drying.

Lastingness.—On the plant: Fair (about five days). As a cut flower: Fair (about six or seven days).

Reproductive parts:

Anthers.—Size: Medium. Quantity: Many. Color: Yellow-Orange Group 16D. Arrangement: Regular around styles.

Filaments.—Color: Yellow-Orange Group 14A.

Pollen.—Color: Yellow-Orange Group 22A.

Styles.—Color: Red Group 53C.

Stigmas.—Color: Yellow-White Group 159C.

Plant:

Form.—Bush.

Growth.—Vigorous; upright; branching. At maturity, height is 3½ feet, width is 2½ feet.

Foliage: Number of leaflets on normal mid-stem leaves: five or seven.

Size.—Large (six inches long×four inches wide).

Quantity.—Abundant.

Color.—New foliage: Upper and lower surfaces: Greyed-Purple Group 183A. Old foliage: Upper surface: Green Group 139A. Lower surface: Green Group 139C.

Leaflets:

Shape.—Pointed oval.

Texture.—Leathery; glossy.

Edge.—Serrated.

Serration.—Single; small.

Petiole rachis.—Color: Yellow-Green Group 147A on the upper surface, Yellow-Green Group 147C on the lower surface.

Petiole underside.—Rough; with prickles.

Stipules.—Long (about ¾ to one inch); serrated; bearded.

Disease resistance.—Resistant to mildew and rust, susceptible to blackspot under normal growing conditions.

Wood:

New wood.—Color: Greyed-Purple Group 183A. Bark: Smooth.

Old wood.—Color: Green Group 137A. Bark: Smooth.

Prickles:

Quantity.—On main canes from base: Ordinary. On laterals from main canes: Ordinary.

Form.—Medium; hooked slightly downward.

Color when young.—Greyed-Purple Group 185A.

Color when mature.—Greyed-Yellow Group 161A.

Small prickles:

Quantity.—On main stalks: None. On laterals: None.

I claim:

1. A new and distinct variety of rose plant of the floribunda class, substantially as herein shown and described, characterized particularly by having compact, upright growth; dark green, glossy, disease resistant foliage; and medium size pink flowers having a citrus fragrance presented in large clusters.

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